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## THE MAYOR'S FINAL REPORT

It Shows the Amount of Work Done and the Cost of It.

The Treasury Will Be Empty—The Streets Have Cost \$100,000 in Four Years.

FUTURE EXPENSES WILL BE GREATER

Mayor James M. Lang retires from office Monday afternoon, and has prepared a voluminous report that will be presented to the council Monday just before he goes out. Mayor Lang has been one of the most popular and most industrious mayors Paducah ever had, and his four years of service have been fraught with hard work. The result of this he shows in his report, which covers all departments.

The report of finances will allege that the average tax rate, for city purposes, has been 97 1/2 cents for the four years, the lowest in sixteen years. The tax rate has of course been larger, but some of it was for school purposes. As a result of this, there has at times been insufficient funds to go around, and the treasury will be left practically empty.

**HOSPITAL AND CHARITY.**  
The report will show that the amounts spent in this department for four years exceed those of any other administration, and will reach perhaps \$20,000.

**THE CITY'S GROWTH.**  
The city's growth has been rapid. Its population has increased about 5000. The records in the city engineer's office show that the amount of building permits issued during the four years were \$751,360, which shows a rapid growth in building.

**BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.**  
The report shows that the bonded indebtedness has been reduced from \$343,000 to \$335,000, the city hall bonds having been paid. There are \$100,000 or thereabouts in litigation, being the repudiated railroad bonds. The annual interest is reduced \$1087.50. Under this head it will be reported that the indebtedness on the city hall has been paid off entirely.

**THE MARKET HOUSE.**  
The market house will be reported a source of great revenue, having cost in repairs, etc., in four years, about \$1000, and yielded a total income of \$14,000.

**THE WHARF.**  
The wharf will be reported a source of considerable revenue, and it will be recommended that the property on the river front, which the city once started to condemn, be bought to increase the wharf facilities. It belongs to the Illinois Central.

**SALARIES.**  
City salaries have averaged for the four years, \$7000 annually, but under the increase just made by the council, and by the prospective changes under a new charter, they will be increased to about \$12,000 a year.

**PROPERTY ASSESSMENT.**  
The map drawn for assessing property at a cost of \$2000, will be reported to have paid for itself. It was drawn by Engineer W. W. Lyon to assist the assessor in listing property.

**BRIDGES AND FILLS.**  
It will be reported, under the head of bridges and fills, that the only bridge in the city left is that over Island Creek, the others having been supplanted by fills. This part of the mayor's report is one of the longest, and shows that the total cost in fills, bridges and storm water pipes has amounted in four years to about \$20,000.

**COMMERCIAL CLUB.**  
The report highly compliments the Commercial and Manufacturers Association, which is mentioned as a necessity, and a great help in building up the city.

**THE STREETS.**  
The report shows that about the most costly department of the city

## ABOUT THE CITY HALL

Council Chamber Has Been Made Good as New for New Council.

Marshal Collins' Final Report—Report of Fire Chief James Woods.

CITY TAX COLLECTIONS ARE BRISK

The council chamber has been made as good as new, the desks and chairs having been re-varnished, the walls cleaned and repainted and everything put in tip-top shape for the new council, which takes charge Monday.

City Tax Collector Wm. Kraus and his two assistants have been very busy this morning and afternoon collecting taxes from the delinquents, who have been in, paying before the penalty goes into effect.

Marshal Collins today finished his final report, covering a period of four years, and will present it to the council Monday.

There have been a great many office seekers about the city hall today, and when some of them learned that Mayor Yeiser is not to make his police appointments Monday there was more or less disappointment.

**LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

IT BROKE UP WITHOUT ANYTHING HAVING BEEN ACCOMPLISHED.

The committee appointed by the common council to consider plans for the new public library building met last night, but did nothing except a pass a resolution inviting the members of the Civic Federation to call at the architect's office and inspect the plans for the building.

The members of the committee are Councilmen Weille, Johnson, Davis, Rudolph, Bondurant, Elliott and Hannan. Councilman Weille is chairman.

A communication was read from the Civic Federation offering the services of the members in selecting the plans, or in doing any of the work incident to the arrangements for the building. It was then that on motion of Councilman Elliott the invitation was extended the ladies to inspect the plans.

It was decided to allow the architects forty-five minutes in which to display their plans. Everybody had been excluded from the room, and Architects Brainard and Davis were admitted separately, and explained their drawings.

Councilmen Davis and Johnson were in favor of selecting Architect Davis' plans and recommending that the council employ him, but Councilmen Elliott and others wanted action deferred, especially as the members of the Civic Federation had already been invited to inspect the plans.

The motion to act on the plans presented was lost, and then without even adjourning the committee dispersed, and left the matter where it stood at first.

The ladies have been asked to call today and inspect the plans, and the committee will make an effort to have another meeting Monday and take decisive action before they go out of office.

**FOR FAST DRIVING.**

Catherine Cullom, an inmate of one of the Court street resorts, will be arrested this afternoon on a warrant charging her with fast driving within the city limits. The warrant was sworn out this morning by an officer of the night force.

**FOR STEALING A WATCH.**

Sam Hendricks and Elbert Holmes, both colored, were arrested this morning by Officer Gray for stealing a watch from Andrew Hall, colored. The men were arrested on Plunkett Hill, and were taken to the station in the patrol wagon.

Try Dr. Jennelle's tooth powder. It is warranted to be the best offered to the public.

## WEEK'S NEWS IN THE BUSINESS WORLD.

Clearings for the week, \$434,061. Last year, \$401,001. Increase, \$33,060.

Business at the banks the past week has been fairly active. The demands for money are very heavy, with deposits holding up well. Earnings, too, are running well, and the reports at the end of the year, which comes now in a few weeks, will show the past six months to have been about the most prosperous in the history of local institutions.

Business with the wholesale dealers during the past week has been generally good, and especially with the harness and buggy dealers. The wholesale grocers are holding a fair holiday trade, but it is not what it might be. An increase in this line is expected when the weather turns colder, and the farmers stop bringing their wares to the market in such abundance.

The commission merchants report a standstill in trade, with indications for an increase with the winter season.

The novelty dealers are doing a

large business with the rural trade, but shipments have not yet begun. The merchants in the smaller towns are coming in and buying good bills, and the holiday trade for the wholesale men in this line has begun in earnest.

The harness wholesale trade is also opening up with brighter prospects and the buggy departments are also doing a large business, considering the season. Several merchants have been notified by eastern firms that there is now a car famine on, and to make their orders early if they want the bill shipped on time. There are few cars to be had in the East. The South is also complaining of the famine.

The retail dealers are busy at work on the holiday displays, and the trade is beginning to open up some.

The factories report good business, with full forces at work. The canning factory has had a very successful season of about eight months' run, and will close down next week. The clothing manufacturers are doing a good business.

### IS DYING.

MR. CHARLES WILCOX BECOMES SUDDENLY WORSE IN MOUND CITY.

Mrs. May Rehkopf was called to Mound City, Ill., this morning by a telegram announcing that her brother, Mr. Charles Wilcox, who was taken there a few weeks ago for treatment, was thought to be dying. Up to the receipt of the telegram he was believed to be improving. Mr. Wilcox is 42 years old, and one of the best known men in the county. He resides near Maxon's Mills, and has been in failing health for the past several years.

### COUNTY COURT.

The following legal guardians and executors have been ordered to make settlements: E. Y. Ogilvie, for Ben Ogilvie; W. D. Harrison, for W. D. Harrison; W. D. Harrison, executor of F. Harrison; H. C. Bronough, executor Ann T. McNary; Ella A. Puryear, Leslie A. Puryear and others; F. G. Rudolph, Bessie Lescher; Clara E. Phelps, Maude Phelps and others; Ed. H. Puryear, J. Garner; M. G. Terrell, Robt. and Jamie Rivers; Jno. O. Sirk, Pearl S. Sirk; Bettie Thomas, Thomas children; Fannie Kahn, Moxie Kahn and others; Chas. Reed, Florence Raser; Mary E. Rehoff, Earle and Lillian Rehoff; E. E. Bell, Bell children; Chas. D. Warren, Warchildren; C. M. Ross, administrator Thos. M. Mitchell; E. Y. Ogilvie, Winslow Ogilvie; Ed. H. Puryear, guardian Susie R. Nelson; James Benson, guardian Jesse Benson.

### A CASE FOR CHARITY.

No. 1216 Madison street is the home of a very needy family, a mother with three little children, one a baby three weeks old. Fuel, provisions and clothing are all needed, and would gladden their hearts. Charitable people will no doubt soon relieve their want, now that it is known.

### THROUGH TRAINS.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL CREWS WILL RUN THROUGH FROM LOUISVILLE.

The new time cards for the Illinois Central, which go into effect tomorrow, arrived this morning, and show that there will be no change in the schedule affecting local passenger trains.

One important change is that the fast passenger train crews will be run through from Louisville to Memphis and vice versa, instead of to Fulton, as now. This has been in practice before.

### ANOTHER CASE, OF SMALLPOX.

There is another case of smallpox in the city. The case was discovered yesterday in the house where Messrs. Belt and Hoffman, recent patients, were lately confined. Motorman McManus is the last victim and the house has again been quarantined. The quarantine was lifted several days ago when Messrs. Belt and Hoffman were discharged. Their residence is in the little addition near the I. C. passenger depot.

### U. D. C. MEETING.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Mrs. Mary Burnett at the residence of Mr. Muscogee Barnett, West Broadway.

### WILL BE DEPUTY JAILER.

Mr. Harry Rudolph will be deputy jailer under Fayette Jailer Jones. He is a well known and well liked young man.

### CONGRESS MEETS.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Congress will hold a brief session Monday, and after the official announcement of the death of President McKinley, will adjourn in respect to his memory. Tuesday the President's message will be read.

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## AMONG THE VISITING TEACHERS

A Splendid Address Delivered at the Meeting Last Night.

The Enrollment Shows Many Prominent Educators Here—Election Today.

THE PROGRAM IS MOST ENTERTAINING

The program of the First District Educational association is being carried out as published, and the numbers have all been read up to this morning. All of yesterday's program except one paper, was carried out.

The enrollment this morning reached 104, the largest ever known.

The enrollment is as follows: Prof. J. T. Ross, Miss Rubie Wear, Miss Dollie Card, Miss Roena Williams, Miss Bertie Holland, C. B. Hatfield, Marvin Ragsdale, Misses Flora McKee, Katie White, R. S. Eubanks, Miss Hattie Coats, T. W. Vinson, Miss Dora Draffen, Albert M. Rouse, Misses Jessie and Addie Byrd, Prof. J. E. Snyder, Misses Flora Davidson, Ellen Torian, Aldora Cartwright, Mrs. Ellen Wilcox, Misses Mabel Mitchell, Ethel Mitchell, Maggie Cartwright, Cinda Nichell, Lizzie Chapeze, Prof. W. P. Morrison, Misses Iona Desha, Maggie Acker, Prof. R. G. Lowe, Prof. Rudolph, Miss Hattie Sherwin, Messrs. E. S. Simpson, W. T. Harrison, and J. S. Ragsdale, Misses Emma Morgan, Lizzie Mohan, Lillie Morrison, Prof. Z. A. Bennett, Mrs. Taylor, Misses Mollie Trease, Emma Grigsby, Prof. S. J. Billington, Prof. F. L. Hart, Mrs. Florence Grant, Prof. D. L. Reeder, Misses Laura Little, Bertha Kettler, Mattie L. Langston, Prof. W. W. Morris, Prof. J. A. Graham, Prof. J. D. Burrows, Prof. Clifford Markey, Misses May Atwood, Mamie Wheeler, Prof. A. Cathey, Miss Lizzie Singleton, Miss Parker, Mrs. Minnie Herndon, Misses Mary Murray, Anna Larkin, Mary Dodson, Lillie Burdine, Sue Atchison, Mamie P. Nobler, Ellen Willis, Rosa Flournoy, Cynthia Ewell, Laura Hand, Emma Acker, Mabel Durick, Mrs. Belle Pool, Prof. N. E. Wilson, Miss Hannah Bonds, Prof. C. A. Norvell, Misses Eliza Nall, Tommie Baker, Roxie Desha, Nannie Catlett, Mary K. Chambers, Mabel Roberts, Addie Edmunds, Adah Brazelton, Miss Larkin, Mrs. Lou Singleton, Prof. W. M. Rush, Professors F. D. Rudolph, J. W. Henry, John T. Draffen, Sand on Reed, Mrs. Ruth Harper, Mr. Hailey, Miss Madge Grigsby, Mr. Cook, Misses Susie and Addie Boyd, Bessie Sinclair, Elizabeth Rogers, Beulah Young, Clara Moore. The honorary members are: Rev. J. C. Reid, Dr. Alexander, of Vanderbilt University; Prof. McDugal, of Huntington, Tenn., and Prof. McGinnis, formerly teacher at Owensboro, but now of Newport, Ky.

Prof. Alexander, of Vanderbilt University, who was sent by Chancellor Kirkland to represent that institution, last evening delivered before the association an address replete with intelligence and interest. This was a part of the musicale given, which proved a most pleasant occasion.

The election of officers will not take place until after 8 o'clock this afternoon.

**DEATH FROM SCARLET FEVER.**  
Nora Laedicker, aged 15 months, of the county, died last night from scarlet fever, funeral today at the Herzog graveyard.

### GAVE BOND.

Madisonville, Nov. 30.—Vice President Barnaby of the Mine Workers was arrested this morning and promptly gave bond.

Mrs. Julia Whiteside died yesterday at 5 a. m., near Rehkopf's tannery on the river. Burial at the Potter's Field, after funeral services by Rev. R. W. Chiles at 2 p. m. today. She left a husband and daughter to mourn her loss.

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## IN TODAY'S LOCAL COURTS.

The Civil Term of Circuit Court Ended This Afternoon.

Criminal Court Monday—Orders Made in the County Court Today.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE POLICE COURT

### CIRCUIT COURT.

The civil term of circuit court ended today, and much business was transacted. The following judgments were filed today:

S. V. Sadler vs. P. L. Ramsey, suit on attached money. The attachment not sustained.

J. W. McCulloch vs. Geo. W. Colyer, judgment for \$162.51, and enforcement of lien to satisfy the judgment.

R. G. Caldwell vs. Chas. Tucker, judgment for \$8,341.85 and enforcement of lien.

Pioneer Building and Loan association against Ann Thompson, judgment for \$50.

O. H. Rogers against Emma Harrison, judgment for \$546 and enforcement of lien.

B. T. Marshall vs. W. W. Spence, administrator, judgment for \$515.08.

Rebecca Webb and others against C. A. Oshell, adm., judgment for attorney fee to L. K. Taylor amounting to \$50, and also judgment to divide and sell land in settlement of estate.

Monemo E. T. Lofton against E. R. Lofton, judgment for \$40 attorney fee and \$200. Alimony part of petition dismissed and divorce proceedings left open.

Susan A. Lambdin against Peter Travis and others, judgment to plaintiff for two lots in dispute.

T. J. Flournoy, assignee, against M. Woolridge, judgment for \$1,200 on note.

F. G. Rudolph, administrator, against John Cowpan, judgment to distribute \$500 among heirs to estate.

E. C. Terrell vs. F. T. Wilson and others, judgment for \$100 for plaintiff. Judgment for Jacob Weil, one of defendants, against F. T. Wilson to amount of \$320.30 and enforcement of lien.

The criminal term of circuit court begins Monday morning, with a large docket. The grand jury will be impaneled, and Tuesday the petit jury impaneled.

The most important criminal case is that against James Spriggs, colored, who shot his sweetheart at Seventh and Jackson streets. It was continued at the September term.

The Ellis Headley alleged bribery case, sent back from the court of appeals for trial, will also be called, but it is not known whether it will be tried or not.

Court will be in session for three weeks, and the grand jury the same length of time. There are many prisoners in the county jail awaiting trial, and these will consume much time of the grand jury.

### POLICE COURT.

Pete Richards, colored, was fined \$25 and costs and sentenced to ten days in jail today for carrying concealed a pistol.

A breach of ordinance case against Catherine Collins was continued.

A stranger named A. T. Bailey was fined \$5 and costs for a breach of ordinance.

### HOUSE CAUCUS.

Washington, Nov. 30.—The Democratic House caucus unanimously nominated Richardson of Tennessee for speaker, and the former nominees for other places. The Republican caucus this afternoon unanimously nominated Henderson for speaker.

The Republican caucus is having a lively debate this afternoon on changing the rules.

### TO WITNESS FOOTBALL.

Philadelphia, Nov. 30.—The President, his cabinet and hundreds of prominent naval and army officers are here to witness the Annapolis-West Point football game.